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**NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL**

My docket No. IVE03US

Box Patent Application  
Hon. Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of  
**Frank Rothbrust et al**

For:

**METHOD FOR THE PRODUCTION OF AN OXIDE CERAMIC SHAPED PART AND A  
PART PRODUCED BY SUCH METHOD**

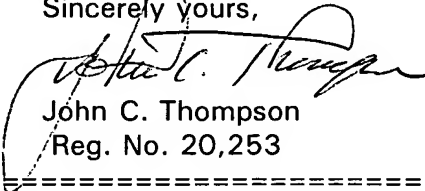
This new application is for a non-provisional patent application, the application including 19 pages of description, 5 pages of claims, 1 page of abstract, an executed combined declaration and power of attorney, and 4 sheets of drawings. Applicant is a LARGE entity.

Also enclosed are the following:

- A certified copy of a priority document to support applicant's claim for priority;
- An assignment recordation cover sheet;
- An assignment to **Ivoclar Vivadent AG**;
- A credit card payment of \$864 for:
  - \$824.00 for the filing fee, and
  - \$40.00 for recording the assignment; and
- A postcard for early notification of the serial no.

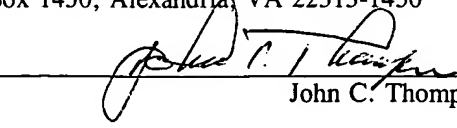
A prompt action on the merits of this application is respectfully requested.

Sincerely yours,

  
John C. Thompson  
Reg. No. 20,253

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I hereby certify that this New Application Transmittal and the documents referred to as enclosed therein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on this date April 13, 2004 in an envelope

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